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OLIGONUCLEOTIDES AND GENERATION OF OLIGONUCLEOTIDES FOR
GENE MODULATION

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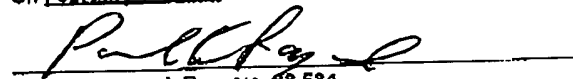
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Dear Sir:

AMENDMENT AND REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION

In response to the Office Action mailed December 31, 2001 in connection with the above-
identified patent application, Applicants request that the application be amended as follows.

In the Specification:

Please replace the paragraph containing the title beginning at page 1, line 1 of the
specification with the following rewritten paragraph:

--SYSTEM OF COMPONENTS FOR PREPARING OLIGONUCLEOTIDES--

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